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Crop Progress & Condition Report

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Week ending March 27, 2011

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, March 27, 2011**. Corn planting is in full swing. Growers have also planted some soybeans as well as rice acreage. Soil moisture was rated 5 percent very short, 22 percent short, 70 adequate, and 3 percent surplus.

Crop progress for week ending March 27, 2011

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Corn, planted	46	5	22	36
Corn, emerged	3	0	2	15
Watermelons, planted	27	8	33	27
Winter Wheat, jointing	80	50	11	34
Winter Wheat, heading	2	1	--	--

Crop condition for week ending March 27, 2011

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Blueberries	2	2	11	85	0
Livestock	3	7	34	44	12
Pasture	0	11	25	57	7
Winter Wheat	2	5	22	51	20

Comments

“Planters, spray rigs, or cultivators are in just about every field. Corn planting is just beginning as fieldwork still continues. Wheat continues to look promising for most farmers.”

— Bolivar, Charlie Bush

“Growers planted corn and finished putting nitrogen on wheat. Light rain over the weekend will keep growers out of the field for a couple of days.”

— Quitman, Don Respass

“Some rice is being planted now and corn planting is in full swing as the ground dries out. Seedbed preparation for all other crops is going well since we've had a few days of pretty weather.”

— Tallahatchie, Jimbo Burkhalter

“The soil temps are running 55-60 so corn is going in the ground. We are stopping on Friday to wait to see how much rain and low temps we get over the weekend. If we miss most of this, we will start back planting corn Monday.”

— Grenada, Stephen R. Winters

“Some fieldwork is being done.”

— Yalobusha, Pamela Redwine

“Recent rains have delayed most fieldwork. Farmers are looking to start planting corn once fields have dried to a suitable condition.”

— Alcorn, Patrick Poindexter

“Dry warm weather allowed good progress with tillage work and corn planting. More and more wheat fields are being found with damage from glyphosate drift. A few of those fields will not be worth harvesting.”

— Leflore, Jerry Singleton

“Much headway was made this past week in corn planting, with many producers getting done and debating on when to start planting beans. A few have even begun.”

— Sunflower, Strider McCrory

“Corn planting has really progressed in the last week. Soybeans are beginning to be planted in the county. Rain is forecast early in the week and it would be beneficial.”

— Washington, Lester Stephens

“Corn planting is progressing well, but soil moisture levels are questionable for the long term. We may get a stand, but unless we get some recharge soon the crop will be in trouble early in the season.”

— Attala, Ernest Flint

“Spring has finally sprung - apparently. There has been a lot of early pasture and hay field spraying going on the past few days. Winter forages are really growing with the higher temperatures.”

— Rankin, Houston, Therrell

“Corn planting has begun and weed burndown on fields is still being applied.”

— Clay, Reid Nevins

“Corn planting is moving well. The cool weather early did not affect emergence too badly. The corn that is up has not shown physiological phosphorous deficiency. There is some chinch bug activity, which is surprising. High temperatures as of late is allowing good emergence and rapid growth.”

— Covington, Randy Smith

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending March 27, 2011

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation			
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks
Upper Delta									
Clarksdale	80	35	60	56	4	0.54	-0.70	2	2.63
Cleveland	84	41	64	58	6	0.26	-1.14	2	2.90
Lambert 1W	85	37	63			0.22	-1.04	2	2.81
Tunica	82	37	60	55	5	0.17	-1.16	2	3.94
Extreme/Average	85	35	62	56	6	0.30	-1.03	2	3.22
North-Central									
Batesville 2SW	83	41	64	54	10	0.40	-0.94	1	3.67
Hickory Flat	83	33	58	53	5	1.46	0.06	2	5.70
Holly Springs	85	33	60	53	7	0.77	-0.63	2	4.62
Independence	82	34	59	54	5	0.22	-0.97	2	3.79
Oxford	85	36	61	54	7	2.45	1.12	2	6.78
Extreme/Average	85	33	60	55	5	1.06	-0.29	2	5.22
Northeast									
Booneville	83	34	58	54	4	1.59	0.16	2	6.10
Corinth 7SW	84	33	58	57	1	1.20	-0.17	2	6.30
Pontotoc Exp	83	35	62	55	7	0.47	-0.94	2	4.43
Tupelo 2	84	36	61			1.22	0.00	2	5.69
Verona	84	35	61	55	6	0.73	-0.61	2	4.75
Extreme/Average	84	33	60	55	5	1.04	-0.39	2	5.45
Lower Delta									
Belzoni	84	43	66	58	8	0.00	-1.50	0	2.57
Greenville				57		0.00	-1.33	0	2.11
Moorhead	84	43	65	58	7	0.00	-1.40	0	2.32
Rolling Fork	88	44	67	58	9	0.00	-1.44	0	3.45
Yazoo City	86	46	69	59	10	0.00	-1.57	0	5.52
Extreme/Average	88	43	67	58	9	0.00	-1.42	0	3.19
Central									
Canton 4N	85	40	65	59	6	0.43	-0.97	1	4.40
Eupora 2E	85	36	63	56	7	0.01	-1.53	1	1.04
Forest 3S	84	37	66	59	7	0.00	-1.47	0	5.01
Kosciusko	85	41	65	57	8	0.00	-1.54	0	6.65
Winona 5E	81	37	62	54	8	0.03	-1.44	1	5.33
Extreme/Average	85	36	64	58	6	0.09	-1.38	1	5.35
East-Central									
Aberdeen	84	37	63	55	8	0.20	-1.20	1	2.11
Columbus	85	45	68	57	11	0.01	-1.23	1	4.18
Philadelphia	85	42	68	58	10	0.00	-1.44	0	6.27
State University	85	37	65	56	9	0.00	-1.40	0	5.84
Extreme/Average	85	37	66	58	8	0.05	-1.41	1	4.74
Southwest									
Crystal Springs	84	43	66	60	6	0.00	-1.40	0	5.29
Natchez	84	49	68	61	7	0.00	-1.58	0	6.51
Port Gibson 1NE	86	42	66	57	9	0.00	-1.51	0	2.93
Vicksburg City	82	48	67			0.00		0	3.13
Woodville 4ESE	85	48	68	61	7	0.00	-1.61	0	5.84
Extreme/Average	86	42	67	60	7	0.00	-1.52	0	5.19
South-Central									
Collins	84	43	66	59	7	0.00	-1.50	0	7.95
Columbia	86	48	71	61	10	0.00	-1.50	0	7.16
Monticello	88	43	70	60	10	0.00	-1.54	0	7.14
Raleigh 6N	84	39	65			0.00	0.00	0	7.68
Extreme/Average	88	39	68	60	8	0.00	-1.48	0	7.48
Southeast									
Hattiesburg	87	45	68	61	7	0.00	-1.47	0	10.96
Newton Exp	84	37	66	57	9	0.00	-1.47	0	6.04
Waynesboro 2W	86	41	67	59	8	0.00	-1.39	0	8.77
Extreme/Average	87	37	67	60	7	0.00	-1.50	0	8.59
State	88	33	65	58	7	0.24	-1.21	1	5.56